

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MARCH 1, 1845.

Submitted, and ordered to be printed.

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REPORT:

*The Committee on Pensions, to which was referred the petition of Mary Blakesle, praying for a pension, report :*

The petitioner states that she is the widow of Abel Blakesle, deceased, late a revolutionary pensioner ; that her husband died in 1833; that she was married to him on the 27th of March, 1795. Her case, therefore, does not come within the provisions of the act of 7th July, 1838, "granting half pay and pensions to certain widows," as she was married subsequently to the 1st January, 1794. The committee are of opinion that general, and not special, laws should be passed to meet cases which are proper to be provided for ; and thus, therefore, recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be denied.

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## REPORT

The Committee on Pensions, to which was referred the petition of Mary Blackie, praying for a pension, report:

The petitioner states that she is the widow of Abel Blackie, deceased, who was a revolutionary pensioner; that her husband died in 1832; that she was married to him on the 27th of March, 1795. Her case, therefore, does not come within the provisions of the act of 7th July, 1838, "granting half pay and pensions to certain widows," as she was married subsequently to the 1st January, 1794. The committee are of opinion that general, and not special, laws should be passed to meet cases which are prior to be provided for; and thus, therefore, recommend that the prayer of the petition be denied.